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Serial No: 09/995,104	:	Group Art Unit: 3727
Filed: November 27, 2001	:	Examiner: Sue A. Weaver

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 29, 2002, amendments to claims 18 and 21, an amendment to the specification in the second full paragraph on page 6, line 10 and Remarks are set forth in the following Parts of this **Amendment and Response to Office Action**:

PART	**SUBJECT MATTER**
1.	Replacement paragraph for paragraph at lines 8 - 11 of page 6 of the specification. (Page 2)
2.	Amended claims 18 and 21. (Page 3)
3.	Remarks responsive to Office Action. (Page 4)
4.	Marked copy of paragraph at lines 8 - 11 of page 6 showing the amendment to the paragraph. (Page 5)
5.	Marked copy of claims 18 and 21 showing amendments to those claims. (Page 6).
6.	Certified copy of priority document Canadian Patent Application No. 2,328,032, filed November 27, 2001.
7.	Post Card Receipt.

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PART 1

Sleeve extension 14 has orifice 38 which is sized for installation on a post, peg or rod of a merchandising display rack. A rivet (not shown) may be used to reinforce orifice 38. Tongue 40 with prong orifice 42 is centrally fixed to sleeve extension and depends freely in the direction of opening 24.

PART 2.

~~18.~~ 6 The holder according to claim ~~11~~ 5, wherein said means for hanging is an orifice.

~~21.~~ 9 The holder according to claim 2, wherein said sleeve contains opening on said front face.

PART 3

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, and 11 - 22 are now pending in this application.

The paragraph at lines 8 - 11 of page 6 of the specification is amended to correct the duplicate use of the reference numeral "40" to describe both a tongue and prong orifice on page 6.

Claim 18 is amended to depend from claim 17, to correct the error in dependency which was apparent to the Examiner. Claim 21 is amended to refer to a "front face" for which there is antecedent basis in claim 1, rather than to a "first face"

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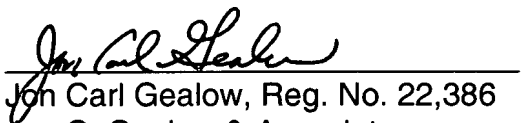
The Applicant encloses a certified copy of the Priority application, Canadian Patent Application No. 2,328,032, as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b), as Part 6.

DRAWINGS

As noted on the page entitled: Office Action Summary, the formal drawings filed on November 27, 2001 were accepted.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject application is now in condition for allowance, and any early allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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PART 4

Sleeve extension 14 has orifice 38 which is sized for installation on a post, peg or rod of a merchandising display rack. A rivet (not shown) may be used to reinforce orifice 38. Tongue 40 with prong orifice [40] 42 is centrally fixed to sleeve extension and depends freely in the direction of opening 24.

PART 5

18. (Amended) The holder according to claim [21] 17, wherein said means for hanging is an orifice.

21. (Amended) The holder according to claim 2, wherein said sleeve contains opening on said [first] front face.

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